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PATENT DEPARTMENT

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In re application of: Werner et al

Serial No.: 10/623,332

GROUP ART UNIT: 2836

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For: "PROTECTIVE ELEMENT FOR THE DISSIPATION  
OF OVERVOLTAGES AND ITS USE"

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

 No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	*14	MINUS	**20	X	( ) X 9.00 ( ) X 18.00		
INDEP. CLAIMS	*3	MINUS	3	X	( ) X 42.00 ( ) X 84.00		
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				( ) YES ( ) NO	( ) \$140.00 ( ) \$280.00 ONE TIME		
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT		\$0.00	

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- A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached.
- A check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ accompanying IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(c) is attached
- A check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ and Petition for Consideration of IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(d) is attached.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 501519. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A**

APPLICANT: Frank Werner, et al. DOCKET NO: P03,0278

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TITLE: PROTECTIVE ELEMENT FOR THE DISSIPATION OF  
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Commissioner for Patents

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SIR:

Applicants herewith amend the above-referenced application, and  
10 request entry of the Amendment prior to.

**Amendments to the Specification** are reflected in the amended  
paragraphs that begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that  
begins on page 4 of this paper.

15 **Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.